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In the Reissue Application of:)							
David J. Kolacz et al.)							
Application No. 10/692,270) Examiner: Dinh Q. Nguyen							
Confirmation No. 7706) Art Unit: 3752							
Filed October 23, 2003)							
For: Pivoting Fluid Conduit Joint And One-Way Brake)							

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified Application. Applicants are a small entity. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply. The fee for the Amendment has been calculated as shown below:

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First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims						x \$180=	\$	x \$360=	\$	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE						\$500				

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X A check in the amount of \$500 is enclosed for the filing fee for extra claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the \$500 filing fee associated with this Amendment, and the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0280. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

X Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra Claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 2, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

For: Pivoting Fluid Conduit Joint And One-Way Brake

Dear Commissioner:

This is a Reply to the Office Action mailed August 2, 2006. The original period of response to the Office Action is a shortened statutory period of three (3) months from the mailing date, and this Reply is submitted within that time limit. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in the present Application in view of the Remarks below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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